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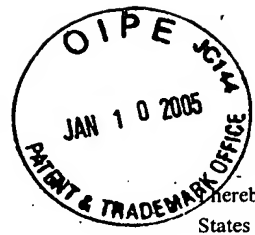
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Quan NGUYEN et al.

Application No.: 10/017,788

Filed: December 13, 2001

For: STANDARD DILUENT FOR  
MULTIPLEX ASSAYS

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 6103

Examiner: Counts

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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 23, 2004, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.